

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending on line 5 of page 1:

CROSS REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is related to the following commonly owned co-pending patent applications: "GAMING DEVICE HAVING DUAL EVALUATION SCHEME" filed on October 13, 2000 having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/687,689 and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-474; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING TRANSFORMABLE WILD SYMBOLS OR CARDS WITH WILD SIGNAL INDICATORS" filed on September 20, 2001 having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/957,305 and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-734; and "GAMING DEVICE HAVING EXTENDER SYMBOLS" filed on June 9, 2002 having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/191,197 and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-1015; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING RESULTANT WILD SYMBOLS," filed on July 9, 2002, having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/191,154; and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-1014; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING WILD INDICATORS," filed on September 21, 2001, having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/960,883, and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-738; "GAMING DEVICE WITH WILD ACTIVATION SYMBOLS AND WILD TERMINATION SYMBOLS," filed on September 26, 2001, having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/964,102, and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-739; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING A VARIED WILD SYMBOL IN A BONUS GAME," filed on September 12, 2002, having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/243,512, and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-755; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING SYMBOLS WITH TRANSFORMATION PROBABILITIES, " filed on September 26, 2002, having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/255,880, and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-951; and "GAMING DEVICE INCLUDING A GAME HAVING A WILD SYMBOL RELATED AWARD," filed on July 31, 2003, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/633,391, and Attorney Docket No. 0112300-1062.